



THE URANTIA BOOK

*Creating a
Legacy of Love*

Urantia Foundation 2017 Annual Report



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MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of Urantia Foundation is to seed *The Urantia Book* and its teachings globally.



Dear friends of Urantia Foundation,

When you see the suffering in the world, the more you understand how vital it is to share the message of *The Urantia Book* that we are all children of the same loving Heavenly Father. The proof of our experiencing God's love is shown by the amount of love we give our fellows. Jesus made it clear that we are to love one another as he loves us, no matter a person's race, religion, gender, economic status, or nationality. Imagine how much happier our world will be when more people experience the joy of following Jesus' instruction.

The gospel of love and hope in *The Urantia Book* is the saving grace for this world. Nothing could be more important than individuals receiving a new spiritual vision that transforms their inner life. You help make this happen by giving your time, talent, and treasure supporting Urantia Foundation in spreading these teachings. Thank you for working with us! The Foundation's achievements stand on your shoulders because of your dedication, unselfish devotion, and courageous loyalty. Your support is more important than ever, and every dollar goes to changing lives. With deep appreciation and gratefulness, we salute you. Future generations will inherit your legacy of love made real by your generous actions today.

Mo Siegel

On behalf of the Trustees of Urantia Foundation

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LOVE IS THE
ANCESTOR OF
ALL SPIRITUAL
GOODNESS,
THE ESSENCE
OF THE TRUE
AND THE
BEAUTIFUL.

192:2.1 (2047.5)



THE VISION OF URANTIA FOUNDATION IS TO FOSTER THE SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION OF HUMANKIND BY PRESENTING TO THE WORLD THE TEACHINGS OF *THE URANTIA BOOK* BY MEANS COMMENSURATE WITH OUR VALUES AND WITH OUR FAITH IN A LOVING GOD.



A Tapestry of Love

BY MARK KHOURY, LEBANON

The love of God was woven into the fabric of my upbringing. I was taught to be loving and thankful for both the good and the bad in life. It was hard to understand this at times, but I sallied forth with faith.

In my heart I knew that love was the way, but until I read *The Urantia Book* I wasn't sure how and why. With Jesus, I was given the water; with *The Urantia Book*, I was given the science explaining the molecular composition of this water. The actual physics behind it all finally became clear to me.

This age of scientific thinking requires a scientific religion. Learning how the science of religion, the science of spirituality, and the science of philosophy coexist with one another is what was so fulfilling and transformative for me.

Love weaves a tapestry that binds everything together. The Master said it best when he declared that "my Father in Paradise does rule a universe of universes by the compelling power of his love. Love is the greatest of all spirit realities." 143:1.4 (1608.1)



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LOVE IS THE GREATEST
OF ALL SPIRIT REALITIES.

143:1.4 (1608.1)

URANTIA BOOKS AROUND THE WORLD

19,779

books distributed

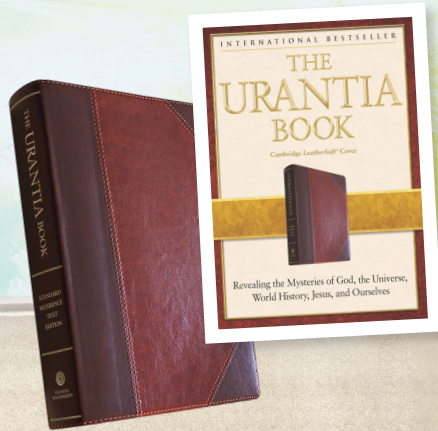
14,000

books printed in
English, Spanish,
and Portuguese

130,732

books downloaded
in 127 countries from
urantia.org and
the Apple app

432

outreach books
gifted globally

A Labor of Love

Henk Mylanus, European sales manager, retired to Trustee Emeritus in October 2017. The provisions he made for the distribution and sales of *The Urantia Book* and its translations throughout Europe will remain a lasting legacy.

This brilliant and well-educated businessman tackled the challenges of finding distribution for *The Urantia Book* in Europe, where the market is complicated, highly regulated, and not in favor of a foreign publisher. With his wife, Claire, they traveled across Europe, interviewing countless distributors until contracts were signed.

Thanks to their efforts, book distribution has been secured in Austria, Belgium, Estonia, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, Poland, Sweden, and Ukraine. We are forever grateful!



HENK AND CLAIRE MYLANUS

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TRUE RELIGION IS A LIVING
LOVE, A LIFE OF SERVICE.

100:6.5 (1100.7)

TRANSLATIONS AND REVISIONS

If the revelators experienced such challenges, imagine the obstacles our devoted translators and revisers encounter. We are indebted to each of them for their valiant efforts!



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IT IS EXCEEDINGLY DIFFICULT TO PRESENT ENLARGED CONCEPTS AND ADVANCED TRUTH, IN OUR ENDEAVOR TO EXPAND COSMIC CONSCIOUSNESS AND ENHANCE SPIRITUAL PERCEPTION, WHEN WE ARE RESTRICTED TO THE USE OF A CIRCUMSCRIBED LANGUAGE OF THE REALM.

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TRANSLATIONS

Bulgarian	Hungarian	Romanian
Dutch	Italian	Russian
Estonian	Korean	Spanish
Finnish	Lithuanian	Swedish
French	Polish	
German	Portuguese	

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ONGOING REVISIONS

Portuguese	Russian	Spanish
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ONGOING TRANSLATIONS

Danish	Hebrew	Indonesian
Farsi	Chinese	Greek
Czech	Japanese	

Loving Service

Urantia Foundation recently lost one of its most devoted workers, Larry Watkins. His great faith in the teachings of *The Urantia Book* enabled him to greet death with confidence and poise.

A computer programmer who worked for IBM, Larry was a vital force in protecting and standardizing the digital text of *The Urantia Book* in seventeen languages. Most of us will never appreciate what a tireless workhorse Larry was as he labored behind the scenes producing customized text files. To better understand the monumental size of the task, consider that there are 16,212 paragraphs in the book. Each one needed a unique paper, section, paragraph identifier. Larry did this in all seventeen languages and never grumbled even though the work was mind-numbingly tedious.

Larry, you will be greatly missed!



LARRY WATKINS, 1942-2018

EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

2017 WEBSITE STATS

1,190,389 sessions at urantia.org Percentage of new users—**56.3%**
679,184 unique visits Mobile usage—**54.1%**

URANTIA BOOK INTERNET SCHOOL

ubis.urantia.org

To date, **1,845** students have registered.
 (1,094 in English, 396 in Spanish, 183 in Portuguese, and 172 in French)

41 courses offered in 2017

- 20 in English
- 9 in French
- 10 in Spanish
- 2 in Portuguese

RETREATS, WORKSHOPS, AND CO-SPONSORED EVENTS

- Our Quest for Consciousness Mini Program
- Dancing with God IV Women's Retreat
- Joint Education Seminar with the Urantia Book Fellowship and Urantia Association
- Sponsorship of Urantia Association Book Fairs in Latin America
- Sponsorship of the Urantia Book Fellowship IC'17

Love in Action

In 1998, Georges shared with Dorothy his plan to create a school using “new technology” called the Internet. He envisioned isolated readers around the world studying the teachings of *The Urantia Book* with others. Dorothy and Georges worked together and came up with the format and pedagogy for the Urantia Book Internet School.

Dorothy's intelligence, combined with a natural charisma, her love for the revelation, and a desire to serve, were assets that allowed her to launch an enduring legacy. The most difficult part of any project is the start-up, and Dorothy succeeded beyond all expectations. Twenty years later, students around the globe are grateful for the opportunity to deepen their understanding of the teachings in a fraternal setting, free of charge.



THANKS TO THE INGENUITY AND FORESIGHT OF TRUSTEE GEORGES MICHELSON-DUPONT AND FOUNDER DOROTHY ELDER, UBIS NOW ENTERS ITS TWENTIETH YEAR!

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LOVE IS TRULY CONTAGIOUS AND ETERNALLY CREATIVE.

188:5.2 (2018.1)

FINANCIALS

2017 Audited Financial Summary Jan-Dec 2017

BOOK REVENUE

Sales of <i>The Urantia Book</i>	\$170,535
Cost of Books Sold	(\$159,373)

Gross Profit from Books \$11,162

PUBLIC SUPPORT AND NON-BOOK REVENUE

Restricted Contributions	\$36,627
Unrestricted Contributions	\$733,674
Rent and Other Income	\$92,719

Total Support and Non-Book Revenue \$863,020*

FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

Program Expense	(\$552,292)
General and Administrative Expense	(\$160,036)
Fundraising Expense	(\$46,295)

Total Functional Expenses (\$758,623)

Change in Net Cash before Investments \$115,560

Book Printing	(\$117,406)
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Change in Net Cash before Investments Less Supplemental Items (\$1,846)

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Revelation Bridge Endowment Fund	\$1,285,296
Non-Cash Gifts	\$42,797

* Does not include Revelation Bridge Endowment Fund and Non-Cash Gifts

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THE SECURITY OF CIVILIZATION ITSELF STILL RESTS ON THE GROWING WILLINGNESS OF ONE GENERATION TO INVEST IN THE WELFARE OF THE NEXT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS.

84:7.27 (941.8)

INCOME VS. EXPENSE AND BOOK PRINTING

\$1,033,555

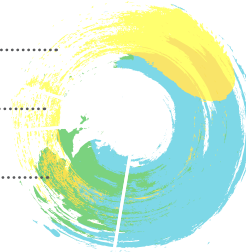
Operational Income Received

\$1,035,401

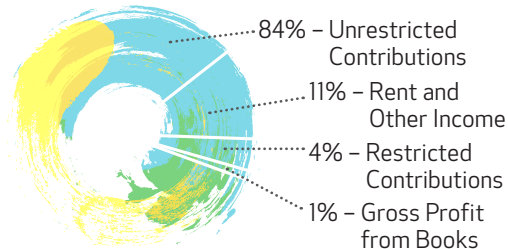
All Expenses and Book Printing

FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES BEFORE SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

Program Expense – 73%
Fundraising Expense – 6%
General and Administrative – 21%
Expense	



SOURCES OF REVENUE



THE REVELATION BRIDGE ENDOWMENT FUND

ESTABLISHED 2017

The Revelation Bridge Fund is an endowment for future generations to insure that they inherit a financially secure Foundation that is safeguarding the text of *The Urantia Book* and its translations.

Our deepest gratitude and thanks go to four donors who collectively gave \$1,287,000 to this fund in 2017. It is the Foundation's intent that neither the principal nor interest be used in the next twenty-five years, thus safeguarding the revelation into the future.

- Richard Keeler
- Maureen O'Dwyer
- Mary Lou Hales
- The Malcolm Neal Family Trust

Create a more meaningful legacy by helping sustain Urantia Foundation for your grandchildren and beyond. Please call your lawyer or write a notarized codicil to assign assets in your will to the Revelation Bridge Fund. For more information visit urantia.plannedgiving.org.



DO YOU NOT REALIZE THAT THE HOPE
OF A BETTER NATION—OR A BETTER WORLD—
IS BOUND UP IN THE PROGRESS AND ENLIGHTENMENT
OF THE INDIVIDUAL?
145:2.8 (1630.4)

The Urantia Book

*Bringing
Hope to Humanity*



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